

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

FINANCIAL SERVICES AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2015

SPEECH OF

HON. CHRIS VAN HOLLEN

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 16, 2014

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 5016) making appropriations for financial services and general government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2015, and for other purposes:

Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Mr. Chair, while I appreciate the Appropriations Committee's efforts to return to regular order, the Administration has issued a veto threat for this bill—and it's not hard to understand why.

While the bill does an adequate job funding the federal judiciary—as well as some important entrepreneurial initiatives at the Small Business Administration—virtually every other funding allocation and policy directive in this bill is either insufficient or misguided.

The Internal Revenue Service is funded at below sequestration levels, which will unquestionably hinder taxpayer assistance and undermine efforts to close the tax gap. The Securities and Exchange Commission charged with protecting investors and policing our financial markets is funded at \$300 million below the President's request. And the Election Assistance Commission tasked with ensuring the integrity of our elections is eliminated altogether.

In addition to these funding decisions, H.R. 5016 contains policy riders hostile to the President's Climate Action Plan, the Affordable Care Act, women's reproductive health and standards governing the political activities of tax-exempt organizations. The independence of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau would be terminated under this legislation.

Mr. Chair, this bill is wrong on funding and wrong on policy. I urge a no vote, and I yield back the balance of my time.

FINANCIAL NET WORTH

HON. F. JAMES SENSENBRENNER, JR.

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 18, 2014

Mr. SENSENBRENNER. Mr. Speaker, through the following statement, I am making

my financial net worth as of March 31, 2014, a matter of public record. I have filed similar statements for each of the thirty-five preceding years I have served in Congress.

ASSETS

REAL PROPERTY

Single family residence at 609 Ft. Williams Parkway, City of Alexandria, Virginia, at assessed valuation. (Assessed at \$1,378,823). Ratio of assessed to market value: 100% (Unencumbered): \$1,378,823.00).

Condominium at N76 W14726 North Point Drive, Village of Menomonee Falls, Waukesha County, Wisconsin, at assessor's estimated market value. (Unencumbered): \$129,700.00.

Undivided 25/44ths interest in single family Residence at N52 W32654 Maple Lane, Village of Chenequa, Waukesha County, Wisconsin, at 25/44ths of assessor's estimated market value of \$1,521,700: \$852,152.00.

Total real property: \$2,360,675.00.

Common & preferred stock	# of shares	\$ per share	Value
Abbott Laboratories, Inc.	12200	38.51	469,822.00
AbbVie Inc.	12200	51.40	627,080.00
Alcatel-Lucent	135	3.90	526.50
Allstate Corporation	370	56.58	20,934.60
AT & T	7275	35.07	255,134.25
JP Morgan Chase	4539	60.71	275,562.69
Benton County Mining Company	333	0.00	0.00
BP PLC	3604	48.10	173,352.40
Centerpoint Energy	300	23.69	7,107.00
Chenequa Country Club Realty Co.	1	0.00	0.00
Comcast	634	49.56	31,421.04
Darden Restaurants, Inc.	2160	50.76	109,641.60
Discover Financial Services	156	58.19	9,077.64
Dun & Bradstreet, Inc.	1250	99.35	124,187.50
E.I. DuPont de Nemours Corp.	1200	67.10	80,520.00
Eastman Chemical Co.	540	86.21	46,553.40
Exxon Mobil Corp.	9728	97.68	950,231.04
Frontier Comm.	591	5.71	3,374.61
Gartner Inc.	651	69.44	45,205.44
General Electric Co.	15600	25.89	403,884.00
General Mills, Inc.	5760	51.82	298,483.20
NRG Energy	28	31.80	890.40
Hospira	1220	43.25	52,765.00
Imation Corp.	99	5.77	571.23
Kellogg Corp.	3200	62.71	200,672.00
Merck & Co., Inc.	2457	56.77	139,483.89
3M Company	2000	135.66	271,320.00
Express Scripts	6656	75.09	499,799.04
Monsanto Corporation	2852,315	113.77	324,507.88
Moody's	5000	79.32	396,600.00
Morgan Stanley	312	31.17	9,725.04
NCR Corp.	68	36.55	2,485.40
Newell Rubbermaid	1676	29.90	50,112.40
PG & E Corp.	175	43.20	7,560.00
Pfizer	30415	32.12	976,929.80
Century Link	95	32.84	3,119.80
Tenneco Inc.	182	58.07	10,568.74
Unisys Corp.	16	30.46	487.36
US Bancorp	3081	42.86	132,051.66
Verizon	1918	47.57	91,239.26
Vodafone Group PLC	323	36.81	11,883.63
Wisconsin Energy	2044	46.55	95,148.20
Total common & preferred stocks & bonds			\$7,210,025.64

Life insurance policies	Face \$	Surrender \$	Bank & IRA accounts	Balance	Miscellaneous	Value
Northwestern Mutual #4378000 ...	\$12,000.00	\$113,720.08	JP Morgan Chase Bank, checking account	\$40,667.97	2009 Ford Taurus	\$9,517.00
Northwestern Mutual #4574061 ...	30,000.00	273,598.84	JP Morgan Chase Bank, savings account	22,777.00	2013 Ford Taurus	20,956.00
Massachusetts Mutual #4116575	10,000.00	16,359.12	BMO Harris Bank, checking account	6,252.00	1996 Buick Regal	1,532.00
Massachusetts Mutual #4228344	100,000.00	433,554.07	JP Morgan Chase, IRA accounts	162,138.79	Office furniture & equipment (estimated)	1,000.00
American General Life Ins.			Total bank & IRA accounts	\$231,835.76	Furniture, clothing & personal property (estimated)	180,000.00
#5-1607059L	175,000.00	42,384.25			Stamp collection (estimated)	180,000.00
Total life insurance policies		\$879,616.36			Deposits in Congressional Retirement Fund	229,430.61
					Deposits in Federal Thrift Savings Plan	491,554.42
					Traveler's checks	7,800.00

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Miscellaneous	Value
17 ft. Boston Whaler boat & 70 hp Johnson outboard motor (estimated)	5,000.00
20 ft. Pontoon boat & 40 hp Mercury outboard motor (estimated)	8,000.00
Total miscellaneous	\$1,134,790.03
Total assets	\$11,816,942.79

Liabilities: None.

Total liabilities: \$0.00.

Net worth: \$11,816,942.79.

STATEMENT OF 2013 TAXES PAID

Federal Income Tax	\$132,949.00
Wisconsin Income Tax	38,980.00
Menomonee Falls, WI Property Tax	2,445.00
Chenequa, WI Property Tax	22,551.00
Alexandria, VA Property Tax	14,312.00

I further declare that I am trustee of a trust established under the will of my late father, Frank James Sensenbrenner, Sr., for the benefit of my sister, Margaret A. Sensenbrenner, and of my two sons, F. James Sensenbrenner, III, and Robert Alan Sensenbrenner. I am further the direct beneficiary of five trusts, but have no control over the assets of either trust. My wife, Cheryl Warren Sensenbrenner, and I are trustees of separate trusts established for the benefit of each son.

Also, I am neither an officer nor a director of any corporation organized under the laws of the State of Wisconsin or of any other state or foreign country.

F. JAMES SENSENBRENNER, JR.,
Member of Congress.

40TH ANNIVERSARY OF TURKISH INVASION OF CYPRUS

HON. JOSEPH P. KENNEDY III

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 18, 2014

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. Speaker, this Sunday marks the 40th anniversary of the Turkish invasion of Cyprus. On July 20, 1974, Turkey invaded the Republic of Cyprus as tensions between Turkish and Greek Cypriots rose. This invasion cost thousands of lives and forced an estimated 170,000 Greek Cypriots from their homes. The Greek Cypriots who remained in the Turkish occupied territory and those refugees who fled to the south lost property and possessions and continue to face restrictions on their ability to access and worship at religious sites.

Throughout the years leading up to the conflict and the past forty years of division, our country has been committed to a peaceful solution and a unified Republic of Cyprus. Fifty years ago, President Lyndon Johnson helped delay the occupation by strongly urging the Turkish Prime Minister against intervening in Cyprus. In a letter to the Prime Minister, President Johnson insisted that "a final solution of the Cyprus problem should rest upon the consent of the parties most directly concerned." Since the invasion, our government has supported a peaceful resolution that brings both parties together in an effort to end the division and restore unity.

Today we have reason for increased optimism as leaders from both sides on the island have reengaged in negotiations. The calls of Greek and Turkish Cypriots for a unified Republic have grown louder, and I hope this anniversary will increase the urgency to restore the rights of all Cypriots and create a lasting peace on the island.

RECOGNIZING THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF TURKEY'S INVASION OF CYPRUS

HON. STEVE ISRAEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 18, 2014

Mr. ISRAEL. Mr. Speaker, on July 20th, the people of Cyprus will mark the 40th anniversary of the Turkish invasion of that island nation, an invasion which resulted in the division of the island which still scars the landscape to this very day. As we mark this anniversary, I call for the end of the Turkish military occupation and the peaceful reunification of the island under its internationally recognized government.

For forty years, Cypriots have suffered not only from the division of their beloved nation, but also from the confiscation of their homes, expulsion from their lands, and the uprooting of centuries old communities. It is time for this to end.

I am pleased the Cyprus Government is committed to the U.N.-sponsored process to reach a sustainable and enduring settlement that would reunify Cyprus based on a bi-zonal, bi-communal federation in accordance with relevant U.N. Security Council resolutions and we should recognize the importance of the Joint Statement agreed to on February 11, 2014.

As Cyprus is not only a close friend and democratic ally of the United States, but also a partner for regional stability, be it in cooperation with the State of Israel in harnessing the natural gas reserves of the eastern Mediterranean, or playing a constructive role in the European Union, we owe it to the Cypriots, to stand by them as they move forward in finding a peaceful resolution and reunification of the island.

REMEMBERING THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TURKISH INVASION OF CYPRUS

HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 18, 2014

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the Turkish invasion of Cyprus, to recall those who are still missing since the invasion, and to express my support for the ongoing talks on the reunification of Cyprus.

Following the capture of the northern portion of the island, Turkish military forces declared an illegal "Turkish Republic of Northern Cy-

prus" which is not recognized by any countries except Turkey. The division of the island continues to this day, with disastrous human, social, and economic consequences.

It has also now been 40 years that the relatives of the missing have been unable to learn the fate of their loved ones. As you may know, the Committee on Missing Persons in Cyprus, a bi-communal investigatory committee operating under the auspices of the United Nations since 1981, has been mandated to investigate nearly 2000 cases of missing Cypriots, mostly, but not all, Greek Cypriots.

In 1994, Congress passed a law, which I wrote, directing the State Department to investigate the disappearance of five Americans as a result of the invasion. While there was some progress—the remains of one American, Andrew Kassapis, were located—too many remain unaccounted for. Regrettably, Turkey continues to obstruct the process of determining the fate of the missing. I have, therefore, today sent a letter to Secretary Kerry asking that the United States press Turkey more intensively to allow a complete and full investigation and to, once and for all, provide closure on this deeply painful question.

Still, there is reason for some optimism. On February 11th of this year, a joint declaration between the parties set the framework for a new round of Cyprus unification negotiations. The talks advanced to a second phase in May, and I am hopeful that they could lead to a comprehensive agreement that grants true sovereignty to the Republic of Cyprus and all of the Cypriot people. There have been reciprocal visits of Greek and Turkish negotiators, respectively, to Ankara and Athens and, for now, Turkey seems interested in moving forward. However, for the talks to succeed, the United States must continue to play an active role in keeping Turkey at the table and shepherding a deal to fruition.

And, there is good news on Cypriot-American relations. Cyprus, already a member of the European Union, is working to strengthen its bond with the United States. It is seeking to forge closer economic ties and bolster defense cooperation, even as it straddles an increasingly tense area. As one of the only stable democracies in the Eastern Mediterranean, Cyprus is an essential partner for the U.S. and an increasingly close friend of our strongest ally in the region, Israel. The U.S. and Cyprus have worked together on issues from counterterrorism to the prevention of human trafficking, and, most recently, Cyprus has provided significant support in removing chemical weapons from Syria. Furthermore, there have been recent discoveries of natural gas off the coast of Cyprus, which will bolster the Cypriot economy and possibly become a viable energy source for Europe.

Mr. Speaker, on this 40th anniversary of the invasion of Cyprus, I stand with my friends in the Cypriot American community and in the Republic of Cyprus in remembrance of the conflict that began four decades ago, in memory of those who lost their lives in the war, in continued vigilance over the fate of the missing, and in support of a better future for all Cypriots.